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In re New Patent Application of:
Offord, R. et al.

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For: **N-Terminal Modification of
RANTES and Methods of Use**

Examiner: Celsa, B.

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Reply

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants have received an Official Communication dated July 13, 2001, with respect to the above-described patent application. The Communications advises that the filed application failed to comply with the Sequence Listing Rules (37 CFR 1.821 et seq.).

In investigating this matter with the Examiner on July 30, 2001, Applicant was advised that certain papers (including the requested Sequence Listings) that had been submitted on October 4, 2000 appear not to have been entered in the file of this application.

Applicant, in Reply to the Official Communication of July 13, 2001, accordingly has enclosed true copies of the prior filed preliminary amendment, sequence listings, computer readable sequence listings, statement relating to the sequence listing, information disclosure statement, and stamped receipt. Applicant respectfully requests such papers be entered into the file of the present application, and further requests that the records of the United States Patent & Trademark Office be revised to reflect the true October 4, 2000, initial filing date of such papers.

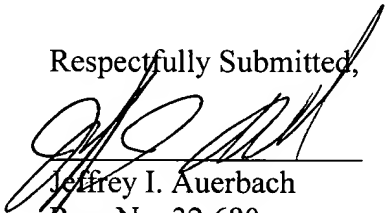
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No request for extension of time, and no other fee beyond those provided in the Papers, if any, that accompany this Preliminary Amendment are believed to be required for consideration of this Paper. In the event, however, that the Commissioner determines that a fee is required in connection with this submission, please accept this submission as providing a request for such extension, and as authorization for charging such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0548.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for examination, and earnestly solicit early notice of favorable action. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned regarding any issue in this case.

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